Democracy in America can't work when big media corporations have the power and the motivation to abuse thier public trust and their use of public airwaves to advance partisan politics and help elect politicians who then further dismantle protections against big media.

Recent events (eg the ban of the Dixie Chicks and the Sinclair group deciding to broadcast an anti-Kerry film just before the election) prove these companies CANNOT be trusted to serve the public interest as they are charged. On the contrary some will completely abuse that trust and what punishment do the receive? Nothing.

In general the media's new coverage has been incredibly poor over the last few years, but it's hard to criticise lazy and cowardly reporting when outright criminal partisan broadcasting goes without punishment by the federal watchdog.